Tourism policy

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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the effective steps being taken by Government to develop the tourist places of different States of the country;

(b) whether Government have formulated any tourism policy in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Development of tourist places in the country is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Government/UT Administration. However, Department of Tourism, Government of India provides financial assistance to the State Governments/UT Administrations every year for the projects including tourist places identified in consultation with them.

(b) Tourism Policy is in the process of finalization.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Does not arise.

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